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## *Nomination of officers*

The Nominating Committee appointed at the business meeting of the Association last commencement day has nominated the following alumni for officers of the Association: for the president, Joseph E. Pryor, '37; for vice-presidents, Dr. Thomas Adrian Formby, M.D., '44, Dr. Frank Rhodes, '35 and Emmett F. Smith, Jr., '46. Dr. Formby is at Hawkins Clinic Hospital in Searcy, Dr. Rhodes is professor of history at Abilene Christian College, Abilene, Texas, and Mr. Smith lives in Paragould where he preaches and serves as president of Crowley's Ridge Academy.

According to our constitution additional nominations may be made by members of the Association until February 1. From those nominated at large, the names of the one receiving the largest number of nominations for president and the two for vice-president will appear on the ballot with those nominated by the committee. Ballots will be mailed out next spring by May 1.

Members of the Nominating Committee are Billy Norris, '35, chairman, Mrs. L. O. Sanderson (nee Rena Woodring) '28, Robert Hawkins, '45, and Jane Sutherlin, '55.

## *Notice*

Did you enjoy reading the "News" about classmates? Then please send in to the Alumni Office information concerning address changes, job changes, marriages, births, and higher degrees earned so that the files may be kept up to date. Please send ALL the news about YOU!



## Harding alumni praised for help in increasing fall semester enrollment

Enrollment for the fall semester has reached an all-time high of 842, Dr. W. K. Summitt, registrar, has reported. This number includes 32 students in the Graduate Department of Bible and Religion and 29 students in the Graduate Department of Education.

Pictured above are 32 students who are second generation Hardingtons. Their parents either attended Harding or its predecessors or are associated with the College as teachers or board members. (Turn to page 4 for identification.)

This year 40 states and eight foreign countries are represented in the student body. Arkansas leads in representation with 353 students, Texas is second with 66, and Oklahoma is third with 60. Students of foreign countries come from Africa, Canada, France, Germany, Greece, Japan, and Korea.

Extension courses in Bible and related subjects are being offered in Little Rock and Memphis, Tennessee, to comply with the requests of those who work part or full time and cannot take a full course of study. The Little Rock Extension Program

opened for the second time this fall with an enrollment of 43. The new program in Memphis has an enrollment of 57.

Jim Atkinson, who worked last year as a field agent for Harding, makes this statement, "It's impossible to over-emphasize the important role played by Harding alumni in the growth and success of the college. This fact was proved to us time after time during the past eight months when we had the wonderful opportunity to meet hundreds of alumni in many parts of the nation. Without exception, they were outstandingly useful in helping us contact students who were interested in learning about the Harding program. Our grateful thanks to all who contributed such a fine share in the building of a great student body. Please remember, we are always thrilled to receive the name of someone you think will want to know more about Harding. Just drop a card to the Student Personnel Office, giving name, address and any other pertinent information you may have on some prospective student."





## President's Corner

By Dr. Joe Pryor

This fall Harding College began her thirty-second year with an enrollment of some eight hundred students at the college level. As I observe the quiet reverence of the students at worship service, get evidence of their intellectual ability in the classroom, hear them tell of their goals for real service in life, and see the high standards of conduct displayed on the campus, I am deeply impressed with the high quality of our student body. I hope that many of you can visit the campus this year and receive the motivating influence of these young people.

### Service Ends

Probably most of you have already heard of the death of two men who rendered outstanding service to our Alma Mater — C. L. Ganus, Sr., and B. Frank Lowery. Bro. Lowery was an influential member of the board in the early years and Bro. Ganus gave dynamic leadership to the board during the last fourteen years. Both men were humble, faithful Christians who had lived lives of useful service and were vitally interested in the church of our Lord and Christian education. One had passed the age of three score and ten; the other was just at the prime of life. Their contribution, in my opinion, that each made was a member of the Harding faculty — Ruby Lowery Stapleton, '26, and Dr. Clifton L. Ganus, Jr., '43.

### Nomination of Officers

On the front page of this bulletin you will notice the nominations for officers of the Association submitted by the Nominating Committee. Three times I requested the committee to nominate someone else for president but at their insistence, I have accepted the nomination. According to our constitution one additional nomination for president and two for vice-president are to be made by the Association at large. Please give this matter serious consideration and write in your suggestions.

This year Mrs. Jack McNutt, nee Jerry Chesshir, '55, is the secretary of the alumni office. Jerry is doing an excellent job and hopes you will keep sending in news and information to the office. Especially let me urge chapter secretaries to keep the office informed of your activities and needs. We hope before too long to have the position of Executive Secretary filled so that the alumni work can move ahead with maximum effectiveness.

### Study and Vacation

During the summer months Bessie Mae, Beverly Jo and I were in Minneapolis, Minn., where I took some special work at the University of Minnesota. Following the first session we took a trip out west touching such points as the Mesabi iron range, the Badlands and Black Hills of South Dakota, Yellowstone National Park, Bryce and Zion Canyons, the Grand Canyon and Carlsbad Caverns. The entire summer was a real educational experience. It was a source of pleasure to meet several alumni, some rather unexpectedly.

The most encouraging experience of the summer, however, was to see the growth of the church in the Twin Cities and other parts of the mid-west and west. This region presents a great challenge and offers many opportunities for service. Even though the cause of Christ is growing in these regions, it would grow much faster if more of the "church members" from the south and southwest who moved there for employment were truly Christian and remained faithful. The desire for prestige and worldly pleasure takes its toll. Also, the jeers of the "sophisticated" and the taunts of some of the "intelligentsia" cause some to waver. The devoted Christian lives of many graduates and ex-students of our Christian colleges has impressed the people in this "home mission field" with the importance of Christian education. We are glad that brethren in this region are progressing with plans to open a college in York, Nebraska, next fall.

## the Alumni write

### From here and there . . .

1940

Mrs. Fred (Ellen Spears) Massey ('40) writes, "I am teaching home economics in Bagdad, Arizona this year. It is a mining town in the picturesque northwestern part of the state, where the church is just being established. Fred will work for the mining company and the girls will be in junior and senior high school this year."

1941

Another letter of interest comes from S. F. Timmerman, Jr. (B.A. '41): "The Lord willing, we will be in the States at the time of commencement next year and we hope to be on the campus for the closing activities of the school year. Being a graduate of '41, it will be time for the 15-year reunion of my class. Naturally, we hope to see many of our former classmates and teachers and to renew ties that have been somewhat obscured by the passing of the years." Mrs. Timmerman is the former Maxine Paxson, '41.

1942

The Bald Knob Pharmacy has been sold to Winfred C. Richards, '42, of Searcy. Richards has been employed at Stotts Drug Store for the past three years. He received his pre-pharmacy training at Harding and is a graduate of the Tennessee School of Pharmacy.

1943

Cliff (B.A. '43) and Louise Nicholas (B.A. '42) Ganus are spending this year in New York where Cliff is enrolled at Columbia University and is preaching in New Haven, Conn. The older children, Clifton and Debbie, attend Agnes Russell School on the campus of Columbia. Since being in New York, the Ganus' attended services at the East Side church and saw Leonard Kirk (B.A. '29), Ed (B.S. '50) and Betty Clappitt ('49) Ransom, Velma Davis (B.A. '48), Frances Bornschlegel (B.A. '49), Glenn Burgess ('55), Clarence (B.S. '50) and Valle Horton ('52) Richmond.

1944

Royce Blackburn, ('44), and family moved to North Platte, Nebraska in July to begin work with the church there.

1949

W. L. Wright (B.A. '49) is teaching 8th grade in the Parkview School at Lancaster, California. Another Hardingite, Rosse Long ('51), is minister for the congregation in Lancaster.

1950

Bill E. (B.A. '50) and JoAnne Anderson ('50) Smith began work with the East Main church of Christ in Holdenville, Oklahoma on August 1.

1951

Robert Smith (B.S. '51) writes, "I received my M.A. degree from the University of Texas in January, 1954, and have since been working as a chemist at the Dow Chemical Company at Freeport, Texas."

1952

Marion Bush (B.S. '52) writes, "I am still teaching fourth grade in the Vassar Public Schools here in Michigan. I spent two months this summer touring Europe with a Wells Tour group from Pepperdine. While in Munich, Germany I visited Gottfried Reichel (B.A. '53) and his wife."

1953

Rees (M.A. '53) and Patti Mattox (B.A. '52) Bryant are living in Oklahoma City where Rees is evangelist for the Culbertson Heights Congregation.

1952

From Warner's Bay, Australia comes news of Rodney Wald (B.A. '52). Besides preaching and teaching for the congregation there, he has compiled a Bible correspondence course, and is working toward a radio program.

1953

Bob (B.A. '53) and Peggy Crutcher ('53) Turnbow are now living at Brownsville, Tennessee where Bob preaches for the congregation there.

## ALUMNI NEWS

### Four alumni take posts with other colleges

Four Harding alumni, with teaching as their profession, have chosen sister institutions with which to work. Miss Maxine Grady, a former member of the Harding College faculty, has been appointed instructor in health and physical education at David Lipscomb College, Nashville, Tennessee. Miss Grady has the B.A. degree from Harding College, and has also done graduate work at Arkansas State College and North Texas State College.

Another alumni to join the Lipscomb faculty is Harvey LeRoy Floyd. He instructs in Bible. Floyd received the B.A. degree from Lipscomb in 1953, attended Delta State College, Cleveland, and received the M.A. degree from Harding College in 1954. Floyd has been teaching at Kensett, Arkansas.

Miss Rosemary Pledger, a member of the 1947 Harding graduating class, has been added to the staff for secretarial science at Central Christian College, Bartlesville, Oklahoma. Rosemary received her master's degree from the University of Arkansas in 1953.

Returning to his first alma mater, Dale Buckley has joined the commercial staff of Freed-Hardeman College, Henderson, Tennessee. Dale received two years of training from Freed-Hardeman, transferring his junior year to David Lipscomb College where he received a B.S. degree in 1954. He completed work on his M.A. in August, 1955 here at Harding.

### More newsbits from here and there

1954

Bill Sherrill (B.A. '54) is working as full-time minister with the church at Alma, Arkansas. He and Mary Clayton ('54) Sherrill assumed their duties there in July.

Muriel Bush (B.A. '54) is teaching and Thelma Harmon (B.A. '54) is librarian at Lakeview Senior High School, St. Clair Shores, Michigan. Thelma is also enrolled in night classes at Wayne University.

Cliff Hazelbaker ('54) is now employed as a chemist for the Studebaker-Packard Corporation as South Bend, Indiana.

A letter from Germany brings news of Edgar (M.A. '54) and Dixie Smyth (B.A. '51) Knoebel: "Edgar is studying at the University of Heidelberg. He really likes it and hopes to get his Ph.D. in about two years." Dixie is conducting Bible classes in German for small children. While attending the English lectureship in August, Dixie and Edgar saw Ralph Odom ('56), Al Poteete ('54), Sam Stout ('55), and Charles Crawford (B.A. '53).

After a year in the Ford Plan, Mary Ann Whitaker accepted an assistantship in English at Oklahoma University.



### First graduate student to preach in Austria

In the summer of 1952 Bob Skelton enrolled as Harding's first graduate student. Now in the fall of '55 Bob is making plans to preach the gospel in Salzburg, Austria.

Bob, a native of Oklahoma City, attended Abilene Christian College from which he was graduated with a B.A. degree. While there, he married an Abilene girl, Donna Holand, in January, 1952.

The following summer the Skeltons moved to Searcy and Bob began to work toward an M.A. degree in Bible. Since his graduation in June, 1953, he has been preaching for the church in Cassville, Missouri.

Bob, Donna, and daughter, Judy Gail, have set February 10 for the tentative date for sailing.

### G. M. Scholarships

The Alumni Office has been informed of a recent General Motors policy which will award at least one four-year scholarship to any accredited private institution which has 20 or more graduates employed by General Motors. A maximum of five scholarships a year will be available to any one institution.

The private colleges which make these awards will receive annual grants-in-aid equivalent to the tuition rate charged, with a minimum of \$500 and maximum of \$800 per year for each scholarship.

If you are so employed or know any Harding College alumnus employed by a General Motors organization, please notify the Alumni Office immediately by sending the name, address, and designation of General Motors firm where employed.

### Lectureship

Harding College invites you, your family, and your friends to attend the 32nd annual lectureship, November 14-17. This year the lectures will be centered around the theme — "The Things Which Befit Sound Doctrine."

The traditional Alumni Coffee is scheduled to be held in the Emerald Room of Ganus Student Center, Thursday morning, November 17. Be sure to come by for an hour of fellowship with classmates and friends.

Free rooms are provided all visitors. Write today to W. B. West, Jr., Director of Lectureship, for your reservation.

1955

Mary Burton Dunlap (B.A. '55) is instructing biology and zoology labs at Vanderbilt and working with the children's Museum in Nashville, Tennessee.

Frances Bateman (B.A. '55) is teaching first grade at Lake Terrace School in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Satoru (Sam) Numajiri (B.S. '55) is doing post-graduate work in Medical Technology at Texas Christian University.

At the close of the last school year, several of the graduating class, aided by assistantships, made plans to continue their education. Tommy Parrish is teaching half time and working on an M. S. in accounting at the University of Illinois. L.S.U. granted assistantships to Cecil Garrett in chemistry and John S. Moore in mathematics. Joan Nance is half time instructor in mathematics at the University of Kansas. Kenny Perrin, another mathematics major and instructor, is at Kansas State. Don Brown received his assistantship in chemistry from Purdue University.

Three more of the Class of '55 are in their freshman year in Medical School at the University of Arkansas in Little Rock. They are Joe Mattox, James Hickman, and LeRoy Miller.

Mary Etta Grady is instructor in home economics and health education at the Harding Academy.



## Married

**Nedra Jo Olbright**, '49, to **James R. McGill** on June 23 in Nashville, Tennessee.

**Janice Jean Myer** to **Richard Earl Burt**, '56, on August 26 in McGehee.

**Jerry Chesshir**, '55, to **Jack McNutt**, '56 on August 19 in Nashville.

**Jeanette Hicks**, '58, to **York Hughes** on September 16 in Caruthersville, Missouri.

**Barbara Lee Albright**, '58, to **Wil Goodheer**, '56, on July 2 in Huntsville, Alabama.

**Katie Sampson**, '57, to **Jerry Westjohn**, '57, on September 10 in Columbus, Ohio.

**Quelle Isom**, '58, to **Vernon Lee Phagan** on Oct. 1 in Lake Village.

**Lolita Williams**, '58, to **Ronald L. Lloyd** on Aug. 3 in Monterey, California.

**Allene Shewmaker**, '57, to **George Bottom** on October 9 in Hammon, Oklahoma.

**Beth Cook**, '57, to **C. B. Spangler** on June 12 in Searcy, Arkansas.

## Deceased

**John Howard Simmons**, '58, died July 23 at Memphis, Tennessee.

**Ralph Knight**, '54, died August 24 at Salem, Illinois.

**John T. Terry**, Cordell, died July 14 at Granite, Oklahoma.

**James P. Miller**, '50, died August 29 at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Pictured on page one are students whose parents are alumni, former teachers, or members of the Board of Trustees. Row 1 (left to right) Parks, Crowson, Trent, Baldwin, Edwards, Murphy, Walston. Row 2: Jones, Stine, Street, Anguish, Jones, Garrett, Bell, Glass. Row 3: Stapleton, Keirn, Whitfield, Hightower, Ritchie, Rhodes, Lewis, Ruckman. Row 4: Borden, Vanderpool, Peebles, Alexander, Gardner, Dykes, Dykes, Ritchie, Waters.

## Born

Daughter, **Deborah Lee**, to **Johnny and Carldene Williams Brown** on September 16 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Son, **James Edward**, to **Douglas and Tommie Potter Reeves** on September 19 at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Daughter, **Mary Lou**, to **James C. and Loretta Smith DeHoff** on January 17 at Syracuse, N.Y.

Daughter, **Susan Jo**, to **Lucien and Jo O'Neal Bagnetto** on August 2 at Bartlesville, Oklahoma.

Daughter, **Donna Lee**, to **Jim and Pat Murphy Atkinson** on July 19 at Pine Bluff.

Son, **Emmett III**, to the **Emmett Smiths** on August 20 at Paragould.

Daughter, **Paula Denise**, to **Paul and Peggy Ham Magee** on July 20 at Searcy.

Daughter, **Brenda Helen**, to **Raymond and Helen Sanner Hugins** on July 21 at Kearney, Nebraska.

Son, **David Charles**, to **Rue Porter and Ruby Olive McReynolds Rogers** on July 7 at Campbell, Missouri.

Son, **Nathan Alan**, to **Jerry Alan and Marion Phillips Barton** on July 26 at Odessa, Texas.

Daughter, **Linda Gail**, to **Jack and Marilyn Starks Arnold** on July 15 at Abilene, Texas.

Son, **Dan Alan**, to **Jack and Leah Boyd Killebrew** on January 18 at Frederick, Oklahoma.

Son, **Barry Don**, to **Don and Bonnie Cropper Fike** on September 5 at Northport, Alabama.

Son, **Kerry Don**, to **Charles and Vivian Shewmaker Groves** on July 6 at Jonesboro.

Son, **Joseph Ray**, to **Glenn and Kathryn Privett Olbright** on August 23 at Ironton, Ohio.

Daughter, **Kathleen Marie**, to **Kenneth Gene and Elsie Robinson** on August 23 at New Orleans, Louisiana.

Son, **Brant Dewayne**, to **Kenneth and Carolyn Poston Rhodes** on August 13 at Artesia, New Mexico.

Son, **Christopher Reese**, to **Vernon and Alice Boyd** on May 16 in Searcy.

Daughter, **Elerie Loren**, to **Sam and Joan Bridges Haynes**, on September 27 at Norcatur, Kansas.

Son, **John Carter**, to **Percy and Anne Carter Frances** on September 24 at Wichita, Kansas.

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